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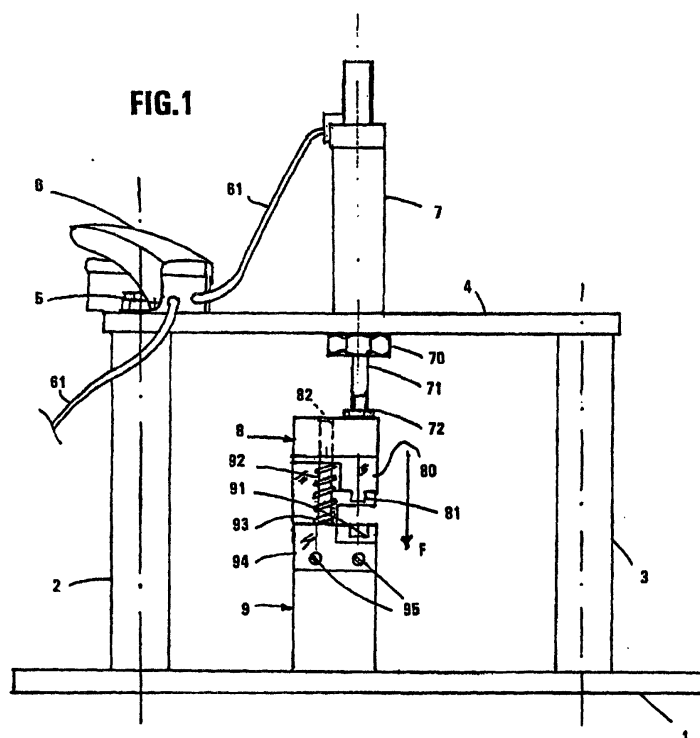
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(54) **Molding apparatus for preparing artificial locks of hair for hairstyles, and lock prepared in this way**

(57) A moulding apparatus for preparing artificial locks of hair for hairstyles comprises a die (91) with a channel and a punch (81) with a channelled profile complementary to the channel, movable transversely to-

wards each other to exert a compressive force on the end portion of a tuft of hairs in contact with thermoplastic resin placed within the channel, and away from each other after the compression and the setting of the resin.





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